

**Cumbria Beekeepers Association Executive Meeting  
Friends Meeting House, Keswick 2.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017**

**1) Attendance:-**

Walter McPhee	Chair	- Carlisle
Ian Gregory	Vice Chair	- Cockermouth
Mike Fitzgerald	Secretary	- Cockermouth
Melanie Vincent	Treasurer	- Cockermouth
Stewart Beattie	Membership Secretary	
Val Sullivan		- Whitehaven
Dennis Chambers		- Penrith
John Harris		- Cockermouth
Nick Mills		- Carlisle
Richard Backhouse		- Penrith
Steve Barnes		- Keswick
Sara Barnes		- Keswick
Richard Robinson		- Penrith
Peter Matthews		- Carlisle
Christine Matthews		- Carlisle

**2) Apologies:-** Graham Pinches, Ken Hodgson, Rebecca Ivinson

**3) Minutes of previous meeting:-**

Minutes accepted and signed with an updated note under Treasurers Report.

**4) Proposal to forward Rob McGarvie as BBKA Trustee.**

Steve Barnes informed the meeting that Rob was not going forward this year to apply for this role. He was keen to be considered for next year. Meeting suggested that he increases his profile with Cumbria BKA

**5) ADM Nominations and Propositions**

**Noted the Melanie Vincent was our Delegate to the ADM in January**

**5.1 Trustees Nominations**

The order of preference was:-

Howard Poole (Existing Treasurer with a very positive track record)

Pamela Hunter(ex BBKA Trustee)

Peter Lovering

John Cannng

Diane Drinkwater

Walaa Elsayeh

Roger Canning was not supported

**5.2 Exam Board Nominations**

At Melanie Vincent's Discretion

**5.3 Applications to be Affiliated Associations.**

The forming of two associations from the existing one association. Ie the forming of Alnwick and Hexham as separation Associations. **Approved** by majority vote

The forming of a new Association of Tyneside. **Approved** by majority vote

## **5.4 Propositions**

There are 13 off propositions in the BBKA magazine dated Dec 2017. There is a further 1 off proposition not within the magazine. The propositions are also on the BBKA web site in greater detail but with some anomalies between the documents.

1 Hertfordshire – Improved management and coordination – at Delegate's discretion.

2. Devon – BBKA to adopt an active programme ref Import of bees – Abstain

3. Devon – Issue of Bee health for importation. - Accept.

4. Suffolk – BBKA Enterprises and issue of financial statement – Accept.

5. Northumberland – refer Membership block votes – Accept.

6. Ludlow – Refer find your nearest Bee keeping organisation. - Proposal already implemented.

7. Northumberland – ADM agenda changes - Accepted

8. Vale and Downland – Refer Surplus money and IMYB – Reject

9. BBKA Executive - Refer Surplus money and IMYB – Accept.

10. Cumbria – Environmental Audit – Accept.

11. Northumberland – Refer working group – Propose amendment.

12. BBKA Executive – amendment to section 19.5 of Constitution – Accepted.

13. BBKA Executive – change to charitable status – Accepted

14. BBKA Executive - Suspension of Ian Homer – Accepted. (Note, this proposal was not in the BBKA magazine.)

### **6) Northern Bee Group – Meeting Report back**

Leave until next meeting

### **7) Proposed 2018 Bee Health Day Hosted by Cumbria BKA**

Accepted in principle. Ian Molyneux to be advised.

### **8) Proposed 2018 Food Hygiene Course**

Leave until next meeting

### **9) Swarm Collectors Listing to the BBKA**

Leave until next meeting

### **10) Collection of Membership Information in 2018**

Noted that due to Stewart Beattie being off on holiday in early 2018 it was required that membership information was required by end of January.

### **11) Treasurer's Report**

Advised that a profit of £30 was made at the Honey Show.

### **12) Honey Show Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Newbiggin**

It was considered that the Honey Show was a success and thanks to all who were involved.

### **13) AOB/Previous Actions**

#### **Model Membership application form prepared by Penrith.**

Penrith were thanked for their effort and the form was accepted with minor but important addition as a model for all area associations. This addition, to the form, related to the opt in to sharing the applicant personal detail. **Action Penrith and All**

## **Area Associations.**

### **BBKA Trustee's visit to Penrith BKA.**

Penrith thanked Steve Barnes for his visit to Penrith BKA

### **Cumbria Bee Times**

An Invite to be extended to the new Editor of the Cumbria Bee Times to join the meeting and receive minutes. **Action** Secretary.

### **New venue of the Exec Meetings**

It was accepted that we would switch to use the Friends Meeting House in Keswick following out experience of it use at this meeting. The cost of the use of The Common Room was £30 for the session.

### **Secretary of CBKA.**

This was the last duty of the current Secretary. Sara Barnes is the new Secretary.

## **14) Meeting Schedule for 2018**

1 off in January - to gain feedback from the ADM from our delegate and prepare any propositions to our our AGM.

1 off in March - Annual General Meeting

1 off in May - post the AGM to elect a Chairman and conduct any business.

1 off in July – for preparation work for the Honey Show and general business.

1 off in September – General business.

1 off in October - for final organisation of Honey Show and general business.

1 off in November – HONEY SHOW

1 off in December – to consider the ADM propositions and post Honey Show review

It may be possible to drop the September meeting, but left the discretion with the Chairman and Secretary based on the amount of business for the agenda.

**Meeting closed at 4.45pm**